

# DAILY PLANET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

Friday, May 14

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## Shuttle launch postponed

Shuttle managers decided Thursday to roll Space Shuttle Discovery back to the KSC Vehicle Assembly Building to complete repairs on hail-damaged external tank foam insulation. The Shuttle is expected to be ready for launch no earlier than May 27. A hailstorm last weekend left about 150 divots, .5-2 inches in diameter, in the outer foam of the fuel tank. The concern is that ice could form inside the divots once the tank is loaded with super-cold propellants. The ice could break free and fall off during launch, impacting the orbiter.

**All-hands meeting  
Monday, 2-3 p.m.,  
Morris Auditorium**

**Medical Center  
offering blood  
pressure checks  
to all employees  
daily, 12-3 p.m.**

## Students in Center education programs need housing

Students coming to Marshall for summer educational programs have need of short-term lodging, particularly graduate students participating in the NASA Graduate Student Researchers Program. If you are interested in hosting or renting a room to a student during the summer, call Frank Brannon at 544-5920.

**Hearing training,  
Tuesday, 7:30, 9:30  
a.m., 1 p.m., Morris  
Auditorium**